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June 27, 1980

Dino DeConcini, Esquire
1550 First National Bank Plaza
100 West Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Dear Dino:

Thank you very much for your recent letter and for bringing to my attention your concerns regarding the state and local incentive portion of bill H.R. 7153.

I fully appreciate the concerns shared by the members of the Western States Arts Foundation about the development of guidelines for this potential Arts Endowment authority. When the Senate and House meet in conference later this summer, I will do all I can to assure that small population states and communities are treated as equal partners with the larger ones and will be watchful throughout this process for any moves that might reduce opportunities for these groups.

I am pleased to know your thoughts in this regard and will certainly keep them in mind.

With warm regards.

Ever sincerely,

Claiborne Pell

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